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Thursday Evening 18th

Dear Debora, I thank you very much for writing me so long a letter. I would rather have had it while I was in Duxbury; but was not disappointed for I hardly expected you would get my letter in season to answer it, I did not however come home on Thursday as I expected, but staid until the next monday; was there 2 weeks & one day; only think what a visit for me to make. I think it did me great good; with the exception of my cough not leaving me I am as well as before my illness. I cannot say that I think Dr B's medicine & advice has had that effect upon Priscilla that I hoped & expected. She seems much as she has done the whole winter. It is true all his advice has not been carried out yet, he appears to think much of moderate exercise out in the air, & she has not stepped out of door since I returned, but the weather has been very bad. I hope she may be better when she can go out. At times I am discouraged, & I know she is, who would be after being sick nearly one year. Phebe has been ill a whole week since my return – so ill that she kept home a wonderful thing for her. I hope we shall be better by May, when you come. If you feel any thing as I do when away the last part of the time will seem an age. Anne told you about Wendell's lecture here, did not we work it grand. I conclude you have lived in clover this week. To-night I hear Garrison is at Plymouth, & hear too that there was difficulty in getting him a place to speak in. That apostate Hall would not read the notice of his meeting, & has come out a Colonizationist, & formed a society male & female. I hope Garrison thought it his duty to ~~tear~~ him in pieces. I long to hear what they did at New-Bedford. Only think of the Boston Female, was there ever such a set of vipers. Our quarterly meeting was to have been yesterday at the School-house near Deac- Emmons Shyer, but the storm prevented. Mrs S.

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has written 3 resolutions one in regard to the "Cred
2d relative to the woman question, 3d supporting our si
of Fall-river Dorchester & Lynn. We shall hold the
meeting the first of next week. Write often as you c
Do you ever see any one who is coming on this w
in the stage, you could give a letter to they could
throw it out any where in the neighborhood. All are
still here as mice in regard to the cause, not through
fear, but from (I believe) perfect indifference.
We want a little active opposition. I think we sha
have some when H. C. Wright comes in the summer.—
I live upon the hope.

Mary Weston
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Miss Deborah Weston.
New-Bedford

All send much love & want to see you with impatience.
Mother is about as well as when you left
often speaks of you, & thinks much of your coming.
This letter has been an exertion, for I have worked
much like a dog to-day, & am tired out, & it
is now after 11. o'clock. I was glad very to have
Anne come home, but you I suppose will starve for lack
of Boston news. Again mind & write to some of us often.
Yours very affectionately M. Weston

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